

**MINUTES**  
**EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING**

**Tuesday, January 24, 2012**

**City Council Chamber**

**4:00 p.m.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL**

Council President Kincaid called the meeting to order. The following members were present: Council Members Larry Balow, David Duax, Kerry Kincaid, David Klinkhammer, Kathy Mitchell, Mark Olson, Jackie Pavelski, Bob Von Haden, and Andrew Werthmann. Absent: Council Members Thomas Vue and Dana Wachs.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for selected items of routine business on Tuesday, January 24, 2012. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Balow "to adopt the consent resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Wachs arrived in the Council Chamber.

**COMMENDATION**

Council President Kincaid, on behalf of the City Council, presented Mike Huggins with a plaque commending him for his service to the City of Eau Claire as City Manager from 2005 to 2011 and as Community Development Director from 1985 to 2005.

**LIQUOR LICENSE**

The City Council considered a resolution granting a Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage and a Class A Cabaret license to Pizza Plus LLC, d/b/a Pizza Plus, 206 / 208 S. Barstow St., Benjamin Haas, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Pavelski and seconded by Council Member Von Haden "to adopt said resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

**AGREEMENT**

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the renewal of a lease agreement with the Eau Claire United Soccer Club, for the use of the Soccer Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Duax and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer "to adopt said resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Council considered a resolution approving an economic development incentive to Plank Enterprises. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Olson and seconded by Council Member Von Haden "to adopt said resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **POST OFFICE RELOCATION**

The Council considered a resolution in support of maintaining a U.S. Post Office retail facility in the downtown area of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Duax and seconded by Council Member Balow "to adopt said resolution". Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Duax "to amend said resolution by adding a new Whereas paragraph at the beginning of the resolution to read:

**"WHEREAS**, not only has a U.S. Post Office existed in downtown Eau Claire since 1855, it became an institution with the great compromise of 1872, wherein the founders of the City of Eau Claire agreed that the U.S. Post Office should be on the east side of the Chippewa River, and the County Court House should be established on the west side, which has remained so until this day, and "

and by adding a Be It Further Resolved paragraph at the end to read:

**"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be sent by the City Manager to the Eau Claire Postmaster, appropriate officers of the US Postal Service, and Congressman Ron Kind; and to interested parties, to wit: members of the Eau Claire Redevelopment Authority board, and the respective governing boards of the Gateway Industrial Park and RCU Credit Union."

Said motion to amend was accepted by the seconder as a friendly amendment. The Council then considered the resolution as amended. Said resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.

## **HIGH SPEED RAIL**

The City Council considered a resolution requesting that the Governor direct the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to actively and fully participate in the development of the Midwest Regional Rail System Plan. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Wachs and seconded by Council Member Pavelski "to postpone consideration of said resolution until the February 14, 2012 Council Legislative Session". Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **CITY MANAGER RECRUITMENT**

The Council considered a resolution appointing members to the Executive Search Firm Evaluation Committee. At a previous work session, the Council had determined that the evaluation committee would consist of the Council President, Vice President, Interim City Manager and two additional Council Members. Council Members Duax, Mitchell, Werthmann, Olson and Pavelski all expressed interest in serving on the committee. Council Members voted by a show of hands on who should fill the two additional Council positions. Council Members Duax, Mitchell and Pavelski each received six votes. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Wachs "to expand the committee to six members by appointing three additional Council Members and that Council Members Duax, Mitchell and Pavelski be appointed to the committee". Said motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Balow "to adopt said resolution as amended". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **ZONING**

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property on the west side of Statz Avenue at Declaration Drive, from TR-1 to R-1 as shown on Planning File #Z-1496-12. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Balow “to adopt said ordinance”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **ZONING CODE AMENDMENT**

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending the Zoning Code adding provisions for a Mixed-use Overlay District as shown on Planning File #Z-1497-12.

## **SKY PARK**

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending the Sky Park Protective Covenants and General Development Plan expanding the allowed uses within the area as shown on Planning File #Z-1498-12.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was offered by Council Member Olson and seconded by Council Member Mitchell “that this meeting does now adjourn.” Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment: January 24, 2012

Time: 5:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

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Donna A. Austad, City Clerk